

LEGAL NOTICE
Chetco Bar Fire Salvage Project Environmental Assessment
30-Day Notice and Comment Period

The Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest, Gold Beach Ranger District is proposing to salvage harvest 4,090 acres burned in the 191,197-acre Chetco Bar Fire. The project is located in Curry County approximately 11 miles northeast of the city of Brookings, Oregon and approximately 12 miles southeast of the city of Gold Beach, Oregon; within portions of the Chetco and Pistol River watersheds. The purpose of the Chetco Bar Fire Salvage project is to capture timber value in the matrix land allocations by harvesting dead, dying and/or damaged trees. The Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest, Forest Supervisor Merv George is the Responsible Official for this project.

The environmental assessment (EA) can be accessed on the Forest Service website at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=53150> when you click on the analysis tab. Additional project information can be obtained by contacting Lori Bailey at the Gold Beach Ranger District, 29279 Ellensburg Ave., Gold Beach, Oregon 97444, 541-247-3666, or by email at comments-pacificnorthwest-siskiyou-goldbeach@fs.fed.us.

Written, facsimile (FAX), hand-delivered, and electronic comments concerning this action will be accepted for 30 calendar days following publication of this notice in the newspaper of record for the Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest, the Medford Mail Tribune, Medford Oregon. The publication date in the newspaper of record is the exclusive means for calculating the comment period for this proposal. Those wishing to comment should not rely upon dates or timeframe information provided by any other source.

Written comments concerning the project must be submitted to: Jessie Berner, Chetco Bar Coordinator/Powers District Ranger, 29279 Ellensburg Ave., Gold Beach, Oregon 97444, or facsimile comments to: 541-247-3641. Hand-delivered comments may be delivered to the Gold Beach Ranger Station or the Rogue River Siskiyou National Forest, Medford Interagency Office and must be submitted during business hours, 8:00 am-11:30 am and 12:30 pm-4:30 pm, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Electronic comments must be submitted in a format such as an email message, plain text (.txt), rich text (.rtf), or word (.doc) to comments-pacificnorthwest-siskiyou-goldbeach@fs.fed.us. If no identifiable name is attached to a comment, a verification of identity will be required for objection eligibility. In cases using an electronic message, a scanned signature is one way to provide verification. E-mails submitted to e-mail addresses other than the one listed above, in other formats than those listed, or containing viruses will be rejected. Only those who submit timely and specific written comments regarding the proposed project or activity during a public comment period established by the responsible official are eligible to file an objection. It is the responsibility of persons providing comments to submit them by the close of the comment period and ensure that their comments have been received. Individuals and organizations wishing to be eligible to object must meet the information requirements of 36 CFR 218.